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CERTIFIED MAIL #7003-2260-0001-7791-2052 RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ms. Jody Craig Sunset Grill P.O. Box 143 Alcova, Wyoming 82620

Re: Administrative Order
Docket No. SDWA-08-2005-0020

PWS ID# WY5600078

Dear Ms. Craig:

Enclosed you will find an Administrative Order (Order), which the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued under the authority of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), 42 U.S.C. Section 300f et seq., and its implementing regulations. Among other things, the Administrative Order finds that Sunset Grill Water System (System) is a public water supplier as defined by the SDWA and that the owner of the system has violated the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations (NPDWRs) at 40 C.F.R. §§ 141.21(b), 141.21(b)(5), and 141.21(g)(2) for: failure to collect a set of repeat samples following a total coliform positive routine sample; failure to collect at least five routine samples following a total coliform positive sample; and failure to report total coliform monitoring violations to EPA within 10 days of discovering the violation.

If the System owner complies with the enclosed Order for a period of at least twelve months, EPA may choose to close the Order. Violating the enclosed Order may lead to (1) a penalty of up to \$32,500 per day of violation of the Order, (2) a separate such penalty for violating the regulations themselves, and/or (3) a court injunction ordering you to comply.

Also enclosed is a Small Business Regulatory Enforcement and Fairness Act (SBREFA) Section 22 information sheet. The SBREFA sheet notifies small businesses of their right to comment on regulatory enforcement activities, and provides information on

compliance assistance. Dissemination of this information sheet does not constitute an admission or determination by EPA that the business, organization or governmental jurisdiction is a small entity as defined by SBREFA.

Please note that the effective date of the enclosed Order is the date of issuance. Within the next 10 days, please provide EPA with any new information that you believe the Agency is not aware of relating to the alleged violations in the Order. The information may be sent to Melanie Wasco at the address on the letterhead, include the mailcode 8ENF-W, or you may call Ms. Wasco at (800) 227-8917, extension 6540, or (303) 312-6540. If you wish to have an informal conference with EPA, you may also call or write Ms. Wasco. If you are represented by an attorney or have legal questions, please call Amy Swanson at the above 800 number, extension 6906, or at (303) 312-6906.

We urge your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Diane L. Sipe, Director

Technical Enforcement Program
Office of Enforcement, Compliance
and Environmental Justice

Enclosures Order SBREFA

cc: (via email)

Larry Robinson, WY DEQ

Dr. David Barber, WDH

Dr. Tracy Murphy,

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RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Natrona County Commissioners c/o Jon Campbell, Chair P.O. Box 863 Casper, WY 82602

> Re: Notice of Safe Drinking Water Act Enforcement Action against

> > Sunset Grill PWS ID# WY5600078

Dear County Commissioners:

Pursuant to Section 1414(a)(2)(B) of the 1996 amendments to the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA), the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is required to notify an appropriate locally elected official of any action taken in a State that does not have primary enforcement authority for public water systems. The State of Wyoming does not have primary enforcement authority for public water systems under the SDWA.

An Administrative Order is being issued under Section 1414 of the SDWA to Sunset Grill, Alcova, Wyoming. This Order requires that the public water system take measures to return to compliance with the SDWA and the National Primary Drinking Water Regulations. The System is in violation of 40 C.F.R. §§ 141.21(b), 141.21(b)(5), and 141.21(g)(2) for: failure to collect a set of repeat samples following a total coliform positive routine sample; failure to collect at least five routine samples following a total coliform positive sample; and failure to report SDWA violations to EPA within 10 days of discovering the violation.

A copy of the Order is enclosed for your information. The Order does not require any response or action by the County

Commission. If you have any questions regarding this Order, please contact Melanie Wasco at (303) 312-6540.

Sincerely,

Diane L. Sipe, Director
Technical Enforcement Program
Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice

Enclosure

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Respondent

Proceedings under Section 1414(g) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g)

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

Docket No. SDWA-08-2005-0020

The following Findings are made and Order issued under the authority vested in the Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) by Section 1414(g) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (the Act), 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g) and its implementing regulations, as properly delegated to the Supervisors of the Technical and Legal Enforcement Programs of the Office of Enforcement, Compliance and Environmental Justice, EPA Region 8.

FINDINGS

- 1. Ms. Jody Craig (Respondent) is an individual and therefore a "person" within the meaning of 40 C.F.R. § 141.2.
- 2. Respondent owns and/or operates a system, the Sunset Grill Water System (the System), located in Natrona County, Wyoming for the provision to the public of piped water for human consumption.
- 3. The Sunset Grill Water System has at least 15 service connections or regularly serves an average of at least 25 individuals daily at least 60 days out of the year and is therefore a "public water system" within the meaning of

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Section 1401(4) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300f(4), and a "non-community water system" within the meaning of 40 C.F.R. § 141.2.

- 4. Respondent owns and/or operates a public water system and is therefore a "supplier of water" within the meaning of Section 1401(5) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300f(5) and 40 C.F.R. § 141.2. Respondent is therefore subject to the requirements of part B of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300g, and its implementing regulations, 40 C.F.R. part 141.
- 5. According to an October 17, 2001 sanitary survey by an agent for EPA, Respondent operates a system that is supplied solely by a ground water source consisting of one well 30 feet deep. The system serves approximately 50 customers per day through two service connections.

FINDINGS OF VIOLATION

I.

- 40 C.F.R. § 141.21(b) requires public water systems to collect a set of four repeat samples within 24 hours of being notified of a total coliform positive routine sample.
- 2. Respondent failed to collect at least four repeat samples after the December 2004 total coliform positive routine samples, in violation of 40 C.F.R. § 141.21(b).

II.

1. 40 C.F.R. § 141.21(b)(5) requires public water systems that collect fewer than five routine samples per month and have one or more total coliform positive samples to collect at

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least five routine samples during the next month that the system provides water to the public.

2. Respondent failed to collect at least five routine samples in January 2005 after a total coliform positive sample in the preceding month, in violation of 40 C.F.R.
§ 141.21(b)(5).

III.

- 1. 40 C.F.R. § 141.21(g)(2) requires public water systems that have failed to comply with a total coliform monitoring requirement under 40 C.F.R. § 141.21 to report the monitoring violation to EPA within 10 days after the system discovers the violation.
- 2. Respondent failed to report to EPA the noncompliance detailed in Sections I and II, in violation of 40 C.F.R. § 141.21(g)(2).

ORDER

Based on the foregoing Findings, and pursuant to Section 1414(g) of the Act, IT IS ORDERED:

Upon the effective date of this Order, Respondent shall comply with all repeat sampling requirements specified in 40 C.F.R. § 141.21(b). This requires that Respondent take no fewer than four repeat samples within 24 hours of being notified of a total coliform positive routine sample. Each repeat sample is to be analyzed for total coliform bacteria. At least one repeat sample must be taken from each of the following: a) the tap where the original total coliform

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positive sample was taken, b) from within five service connections upstream of the original total coliform positive tap, and c) from within five service connections downstream from the original total coliform positive tap. The fourth repeat sample is to be taken anywhere within five service connections upstream or downstream of the original total coliform positive tap. Respondent shall report analytical results to EPA within the first 10 days following the end of the monitoring period, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(a).

- 2. Upon the effective date of this Order, Respondent shall comply with all sampling requirements specified in 40 C.F.R. § 141.21(b)(5). If Respondent's water system has one or more total coliform positive samples in a month, Respondent shall collect at least five routine samples during the next month the system provides water to the public. Respondent shall report analytical results to EPA within the first 10 days following the end of the monitoring period, as required by 40 C.F.R. § 141.31(a).
- 3. Upon the effective date of this Order, Respondent shall comply with 40 C.F.R. § 141.21(g)(2) by reporting any failure to comply with coliform monitoring requirements under 40 C.F.R. § 141.21 to EPA within ten days after the system discovers the violation.

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4. Reporting requirements specified in this Order shall be provided by certified mail to:

8P-W-MS
U. S. EPA Region 8
999 18th Street, Suite 300
Denver, Colorado 80202-2466

GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. This Order does not constitute a waiver, suspension, or modification of the requirements of 40 C.F.R. § 141.1 et seq., or the Safe Drinking Water Act, which remain in full force and effect. Issuance of this Order is not an election by EPA to forgo any civil or criminal action otherwise authorized under the Act.
- Violation of any term of this Order may subject the Respondent to an administrative civil penalty of up to \$27,500 under Section 1414(g)(3)(B) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g)(3)(B), or a civil penalty of not more than \$32,500 per day of violation assessed by an appropriate U.S.District Court under Section 1414(g)(3)(C) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(g)(3)(C).
- 3. Violation of any requirement of the SDWA or its implementing regulations may subject Respondent to a civil penalty of not more than \$32,500 per day of violation assessed by an appropriate U.S. District Court under Section 1414(b) of the Act, 42 U.S.C. § 300g-3(b).

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4. The effective date of this Order shall be the date of issuance of this Order.

Issued this 24th day of may, 2005.

Michael T. Risner, Director
David J. Janik, Supervisory Attorney
Legal Enforcement Program
Office of Enforcement, Compliance
and Environmental Justice

Diane L. Sipe, Director

Technical Enforcement Program
Office of Enforcement, Compliance
and Environmental Justice



U. S. EPA Small Business Resources

If you own a small business, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) offers a variety of compliance assistance and tools to assist you in complying with federal and state environmental laws. These resources can help you understand your environmental obligations, improve compliance and find cost-effective ways to comply through the use of pollution prevention and other innovative technologies.

Hotlines, Helplines and Clearinghouses

EPA sponsors approximately 89 free hotlines and clearing-houses that provide convenient assistance regarding environmental requirements.

The National Environmental Compliance Assistance Clearinghouse provides quick access to compliance assistance tools, contacts, and planned activities from the U.S. EPA, states, and other compliance assistance providers: http://www.epa.gov/clearinghouse

Pollution Prevention Clearinghouse http://www.epa.gov/opptintr/library/ppicindex.htm

EPA's Small Business Ombudsman Hotline can provide a list of all the hot lines and assist in determining the hotline best meeting your needs: (800) 368-5888

Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act (800) 424-9346

National Response Center (to report oil and hazardous substance spills) (800) 424-8802

Toxics Substances and Asbestos Information (202) 554-1404

Safe Drinking Water (800) 426-4791

Stratospheric Ozone and Refrigerants Information (800) 296-1996

Clean Air Technology Center (919) 541-0800

Wetlands Helpline (800) 832-7828

EPA Websites

EPA has several Internet sites that provide useful compliance assistance information and materials for small businesses. If you don't have access to the Internet at your business, many public libraries provide access to the Internet at minimal or no cost.

EPA's Home Page http://www.epa.gov

Small Business Assistance Program http://www.epa.gov/ttn/sbap

Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance http://www.epa.gov/compliance

Compliance Assistance Home Page http://www.epa.gov/compliance/assistance

Office of Regulatory Enforcement http://www.epa.gov/compliance/civil/index.html

Office of Site Remediation Enforcement http://www.epa.gov/compliance/cleanup

Innovative Programs for Environmental Performance http://www.epa.gov/partners

Small Business Ombudsman www.sba.gov/ombudsman

WYOMING WATER/WASTEWATER TASK FORCE

Governor Jim Geringer established the

Wyoming Water/Wastewater Task

Force in 2001 as an interagency effort

to reduce the likelihood of waterborne

disease outbreaks in Wyoming. Govern

ment agencies represented on the Task

of Agriculture, Wyoming Department of

Force include the Wyoming Department

Health, Wyoming Department of Envi-

ronnental Quality, several county

health departments, and the U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency.



